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| 14 | CHARLOTTE TOWN; AMANDA WATSON; and ANNA WHITLOCK, | ATTORNEY, D. R. (ROB) CASE IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIES? MOTION FOR |
| | | PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION |
| 15 | Plaintiffs, v. | |
| 16 | CITY OF SELAH; SHERRY | |
| 17 | RAYMOND, in her official capacity as Mayor of the City of Selah; and | |
| 18 | DONALD WAYMAN, in his official capacity as City Administrator for the | |
| 19 | City of Selah, | |
| 20 | Defendants. | |
| | DECLARATION OF DEFENSE ATTORNEY, D. R. (ROE CASE - 1 | ATTORNEY D. R. (ROB) CASE CITY ATTORNEY |
| | (No. 1:20-cv-03228-RMP) | CITY OF SELAH |

115 WEST NACHES AVE. SELAH, WA 98942 I, D. R. (ROB) CASE, do hereby declare and state as follows:

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- 1. I am over the 18 of age and fully competent.
- In all regards, this Declaration is based on my personal knowledge. 2.
- I am currently a direct employee of the city Selah, serving as its City 3. Attorney. During prior relevant times, I was an independent contractor for the city and at that time my position was referred to as "Municipal Attorney". I started serving as Municipal Attorney on September 11, 2019, and I became the City Attorney on April 1, 2021.
- In reliance on a Declaration by one of their attorneys, the plaintiffs 4. contend - repeatedly - that the city supposedly "has abandoned its permit process altogether" for signs. See e.g., ECF No.29, p.3, lns.2-3, p.8, lns.22-23 & p.17, lns.11-14. The supporting Declaration - by attorney Joseph Cutler - claims that I made a statement to this effect during a recent videoconference with plaintiffs' counsel. See ECF No.26, "Declaration of Joseph Cutler", p.3, lns.11-13. I did not I made no representations about the city supposedly make such a statement. abandoning its permit process. In fact, the city has not abandoned its permit process.
- In October 2020 which was six months prior to plaintiffs filing their 5. motion, and two months before they filed this lawsuit - I informed plaintiffs' counsel in writing that no violations would be imposed under the now-known-to-be unconstitutional SMC 10.38.050, that the city would leave the plaintiffs' signs alone ATTORNEY D. R. (ROB) CASE DECLARATION OF DEFENSE ATTORNEY, D. R. (ROB) CASE - 2 CITY ATTORNEY (No. 1:20-cv-03228-RMP) CITY OF SELAH

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for the time being, that the city's sign code would be amended in 2021 (which it will be), and thus that "there is no need for a rushed court challenge" as to such deadletter code section. See ECF No.29-13, "Exhibit L" to ECF No.29 (letter by myself, dated 10/28/20) & "Exhibit A" hereto (letter by myself, dated 10/15/20).

Also during October 2020, the plaintiffs' attorneys "demand[ed]" that the city "instruct[] all its staff, including Mr. Wayman, to cease and desist taking SAFE signs at least until [the City Attorney] and [plaintiffs' counsel] have had a chance to fully address the issues". See "Exhibit B" hereto (letter by plaintiffs' counsel, dated 10/16/20) (bracketed changes made). On behalf of the city, I did precisely that. See "Exhibit C" hereto (email by myself to city staff, dated 10/20/20).

Under penalty of perjury, the foregoing is true and correct to best of my

DATED this 12th day of May, 2021, at Selah, Washington.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 12, 2021, I caused the foregoing pleading to be electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court via the CM/ECF System, which will effectuate service of a copy of such pleading upon each of the attorneys of record including: Carolyn Gilbert, WSBA #51285 Joseph P. Cutler, WSBA #37234 Reina Almon-Griffin, WSBA #54651 Jane E. Carmody, WSBA #55409 Roxanne Degens, WSBA #57351 **Perkins Coie LLP** 1201 Third Avenue, Suite 4900 Seattle, WA 98101-3099 Telephone: (206) 358-800 Facsimile: (206) 359-900 Emails: CarolynGilbert@perkinscoie.com JCutler@perkinscoie.com RAlmon-Griffin@perkinscoie.com RDegens@perkinscoie.com Among Attorneys for Plaintiffs Antoinette M. Davis, WSBA #29821 Nancy Talner, WSBA #11196 Crystal Pardue, WSBA #54371 American Civil Liberties Union of **Washington Foundation** P.O. Box 2728 Seattle, WA 98111 Telephone: (206) 624-2184 Emails: talner@aclu-wa.org tdavis@aclu-wa.org cpardue@aclu-wa.org Among Attorneys for Plaintiffs

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